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INFO AMB DCM ECON DAO
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R 191237Z JUL 73
FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 136
INFO RUQVLM/AMEMBASSY KABUL 3302
ZEN/AMCONSUL LAHORE 6124
RUQVNR/AMCONSUL KARACHI 9358
RUQSMR/AMEMBASSY TEHRAN 1926
RUSSAE/AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI 9974
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COUP
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TAGS: PFCR, PK, AF, OTRA
SUBJECT: TRAVEL BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND AFGHANISTAN

REF: KARACHI 5256

1. ACCORDING AMCONSUL PESHAWAR, PAK-AFGHAN BORDER WAS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC BOTH WAYS AS OF MID-DAY JULY 19 AND HAS APPARENTLY NOT BEEN CLOSED SINCE COUP. AFGHAN-OWNED PUBLIC BUSES HAVE BEEN FLYING BETWEEN PESHAWAR AND AFGHANISTAN EVER SINCE COUP WHILE PAK-OWNED BUSES, WHICH STOPPED RUNNING WHEN COUP OCCURRED, RESUME TRIPS JULY 19. TELEPHONE SERVICE TO AFGHANISTAN REMAINS OUT, HOWEVER, AND PIA REPORTS ITS PLANS FOR RESUMING AIR SERVICE TO KABUL ARE INDEFINITE.

2. AF GHAN IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS AT TORKHAM REPORTEDLY ARE PERMITTING ENTRY OF ANYONE HOLDING VALID AFGHAN VISA. NEITHER AFGHAN EMBASSY ISLAMABAD NOR AFGHAN CONSULATE PESHAWAR IS ISSUING VISAS, HOWEVER.

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